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TAGS: FORG, CY
SUBJECT: CYPRUS: UNDER SECRETARY URQUHART DISCOURAGED

1. UNDER SECRETARY GENERAL URQUHART PAINTED GREY PICTURE
IN DISCUSSION OF CYPRUS SITUATION WITH AMB. LEONARD ON JAN 25.
URQUHART NOTED THAT PM ECEVIT IS WORKING HARD TO GET THE
BALL INTO THE GREEK COURT WITH NEW TERRITORIAL AND CONSTI-
TUTIONAL PROPOSAL. FROM SPECULATIVE PRESS REPORTS THE
TURKISH PROPOSALS, INCLUDING CONVERTING VAROSHA INTO THE
FEDERAL CAPITAL, COULD NOT BE EXPECTED TO BE RECEIVED AS A
SERIOUS EFFORT BY THE GREEK SIDE. CYPRUS PERM REP ROSSIDES ALREADY
HAD CALLED ON URQUHART UNDER INSTRUCTIONS TO PROTEST THE
RUMORED TERRITORIAL PROPOSAL OF TURNING OVER THE BUFFER
ZONE TO THE GREEK/CYPRIOT SIDE. ROSSIDES DECLARED THAT
THE BUFFER ZONE WAS EXLUDED FROM TERRITORIAL PROPOSALS
WHICH MUST OF COURSE BE CONCERNED WITH TERRITORY
OCCUPIED BY THE TURKISH ARMY.

2. ON THE EFFORTS TO ESTABLISH A MISSING PERSONS
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COMMITTEE, URQUHART COMMENTED THAT HE BELIVED KYPRIANOU
MAY NOT BE SUPPORTING THE INITIATIVE, IN VIEW OF THE
IMPACT ON THE STATUS OF TURKISH DEFEENCE COOPERATION
AGREEMENT SHOULD THE COMMITTEE COME INTO BEING. HE
DEPICTED KYPRIANOU AS A "LUGUBRIOUS MOUSE" THOROUGHLY
UPSTAGED BY DENKTASH AT THE SYG'S LUNCHEON. URQUHART
OBSERVED THAT DENKTASH MADE A NOT UNREASONABLE APPEAL

DURING THE LUNCHEON THAT THE GREEK SIDE SHOULD GO AHEAD AND TRY THE TURK/CYPRIOT COMMUNITY WITH THE MISSION PERSONS COMMITTEE. DENKTASH SAID THAT EVEN IF MAJORITY DECISION MAKING WERE WRITTEN INTO THE GUIDELINES, THE SUCCESS OF THE COMMITTEE COULD NOT BE ASSURED. THUS, DENKTASH URGED KYPRIANOU TO "TRY US." KYPRIANOU DID NOT TAKE HIM UP.

3. URQUHART CONCLUDED THAT THE SYG WILL CONTINUE TO PURSUE THE INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. HE HOPES TO HAVE THE TURKISH PROPOSALS FROM DENKTASH IN THREE OR FOUR WEEKS AND THEN BEGIN HIS CONSULTATIONS. PLEASE SEE SEPARATE TELEGRAM FOR WALDHEIM'S PRESS CONFERENCE REMARKS ON THE PROCESS OF PREPARATIONS FOR THE NEXT ROUND OF INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS.
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